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Memorandum

Director of Training

DATE:

13 August 1965

FROM

Chief, Career Training Program

SUBJECT:

Weekly Activities Report #22

SIGNIFICANT ITEMS

Over the past year and a half we have been keeping an eye on the rate of declinations among external candidates in process, and the reasons given for withdrawal. A few interesting facts have emerged. First, in both FY 1964 and FY 1965 about 20 % of the external candidates in process either withdrew their applications while in process or declined appointment. Thus the rate of declination has not increased. As for the reasons given, we can never be certain of their validity but a random sampling of 123 cases, about one-third of the total for the past two years, reflects the following:

Accept position in business	41	
Accept (or continue in) other government		
position	33	
Continue education	19	
Accept (or continue in) teaching position	12	
Miscellaneous or unspecified		
Total	123	

Among the 41 choosing business there is no pattern of interest; the spectrum runs from the family store to IBM or the telephone company.

Similarly there is no concentration of interest among the 33 going into other government positions. State with 4, was first; NSA, HEW and USIA had 3 each; 2 each chose the FBI, a military service, or state or local government; and the 14 others ranged, I each, over a variety of agencies.

NO CHANGE IN OLASS. CLASS. CHANGED TO: TS S NEXT REVIEW DATE:

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Significantly, only 10 mentioned our entrance salary as a prime reason for decline, and only 5 cited the lengthy waiting period as the primary reason.

Whether candidates stress it or not, I am persuaded that the waiting period is the biggest single factor in our loss rate, particularly during the annual job-negotiation season in April-June, and particularly with respect to those who take other positions in business or government. The fact that it takes three to four months to process a case is not anyone's fault; we have had excellent cooperation from every office or unit involved in applicant processing. Our effort is and will be a continuing search for ways to streamline procedures, get more cases earlier into the clearance process, and give priority to the cases in which there is an availability deadline.

B. NORMAL ACTIVITIES

The following have been permanently transferred to operating divisions:



7/19/65 7/18/65 7/18/65 8/1/65 8/1/65 8/4/65 7/18/65 8/4/65 8/5/65

C. RECRUITMENT ACTIVITIES

See attachment.

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D. PERSONNEL MATTERS

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Stanford University. He takes with him our congratulations and good wishes, and our genuine appreciation of the outstanding contribution he has made to the effectiveness and good order of this Program. He has done a splendid job and he will be missed. Happily, the Office of Personnel has sent us another eminently qualified man to replace him, and we are looking forward to our association with

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E. TROUBLESOME MATTERS

Nothing to report.



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Attachment

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(Attachment) RECRUITMENT ACTIVITIES

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1.	Fo	or the week 5 - 11 August 1965:		
	a. b. c. d. e. f. g.	Temporary actions Permanent actions Cancelled actions Decline 0 Reject 11 Postpone 0 Medical 1 Security 1 Panel 0	17 20 7 8 7 6 13	
	h.	PEP and interview	4	
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		Firm:		
		On board Polys completed EOD set Internal	3 16 2	3 16 . 1
		Tentative:		
		Permanent actions Temporary actions Polys scheduled Polys completed no EOD set Internal	3 112 20 24 8	11 54 2 6 3
		ESTIMATED CLASS: 50 - 55		
	b.	ROTC/OCS actions: 3		
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		Comparative Figures For 1964
c. January 1966 Class Availability:		
Permanent actions	0	8
Temporary actions	6	67
Polys scheduled	0	4
Polys completed no EOD set	1	12
Polys completed EOD set	1	0
Internal		
Tentative	10	35